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Erland Wittkötter

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Marianne Huseman

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ELECTRONICALLY PUBLISHED  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action of November 29, 2002.

Kindly amend this Application as follows:

In the Claims:

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1. (3x Amended) Apparatus for protecting electronically published documents with a local computer system which can be connected locally by way of the internet to an external data source and which is adapted to call up, execute, or output the electronically published documents, wherein the local computer system comprises local data storage means which is adapted for the storage of data of the electronically

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